INST 6380: Distance Education K-12: Interactive Study Guide for Students

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WIIFM

"What's in it for Me?" Let them know what's in it for them. Tell others exactly what action you want them to take and how they will benefit.

How does a teacher "do" distance learning? Does the teacher "take the same old bag of tricks" from the traditional classroom and come into the distance learning classroom and "flop it down" on the table as it were, and just continue with changes, modifications, considerations to this new teaching environment? Let's hope not. Distance learning programs require considerable planning and preparation prior to the actual presentation. (Hmmm....Prior Planning and Preparation Precede Presentation--the 5 "P's")

Goals and Objectives for Lesson 7

- 1. Students should be able to plan and organize a telecourse in any delivery format and indicate which course components are different from traditional teaching.
- 2. Students should be able to identify the differences in teaching at a distance and strategies that can be used in the distance learning classroom.
- 3. Students should be able to create a sound instructional design process for their distance learning class that takes advantage of the technologies used.

Activities for Lesson 7---2/27/2006

Textbook Reading: Student Centered Instruction for the Design of Telecourses, Winn Egan. Pp 33-40 ISG #7. It is quite important for you to bring this to class tonight. If we don't finish all the activities it will still show you what needs to be reviewed. Notice the priority assignments

Guest Speaker:

I have included a sample Powerpoint Lesson for you to examine. There is also a worksheet that accompanies it. It might be a bit much, but it might give you an idea of how some other students did this assidnment (see #3 below). The Powerpoint is called Computer Basics Example 2006.ppt and the Worksheet is called Computer Basics Worksheet 2006. This is only an example.

Student Activity--Prepare a graphic for Elmo (each person prepare a handrawn graphic. Give a 2-4 minute presentation on camera to the rest of class from your site--Be sure to NOT use a pen or pencil! Bring a marker and whatever paper you'd like. Involve your local EDNET facilitator to assist you in presentation. This is a fun activity!! 60 - 90 minutes (follow up next week too!). If you are going to do a Powerpoint, be sure to email it George several days before class. George will project it from the USU Murray site, unless you are absolutely sure that your site can EASILY project your powerpoint. Check with your facilitator (Local) to be sure. Some of our sites may have limited presentation abilitity.



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Must Do Activity: Constructing Cultures in Distance Education 2006, 7 page pdf..Note: There are four question interspersed throughout this 6 page paper. The questions are numbered, bolded, and italicized so you can spot them. We have set up a discussion board in Lesson 7 to address each of the questions. Pick one or two questions and respond to them in our discussion board this week. We have discussed the concepts of "Transactional Distance." This paper address many of those concerns. Be sure to find the work of Rick Shearer from Penn State University on this topic as well. It is of great concern in the field of distance learning today and you should be acutely aware of it implications in interaction strategies. Also, be sure to go to the last page and check out the information about the Instructional Technology Forum....George

Quiz 3 on 2/27/2006--3/05/2006 Copyright 4 Teachers

Powerpoint: Tips and Tricks for the DL Teacher (30 Min)

Interesting Reading: 7 NYTime-Branson CO DL K-12 Schools 2006. 3 page pdf. How is distance learning impacting high schools.

Elmo Slide: Instructional Systems Approach to Technology ISAT Model

Teacher Reading: Instructional Systems Approach to Distance Learning. Goes with Slide.

PDF Reading: ISAT Model for Distance Learing (4 pages) Diagrams and Illustrations

Threaded Discussion "Topic of the Week" See #4 above...pick one or two of the four threads tied to this paper.

Optional Video if Time: Distance Learning Program #2. Integrating Technology and Program Content.

23 minutes

EDNET Newsletter: If a Dog Were Your Teacher.... (Something fun) http://www.uen.org/News/article. cgi?category_id=6&article_id=80

PDF: The Myth of the Talking-Head-1 page

Good Resource: Distance Educator.com website, research, newsletter... http://www.distance-educator.

com/dnews/

Thought for Class: WIIFM "What's in it for Me?" Let them know what's in it for them. Tell others exactly what action you want hem to take and how they will benefit.

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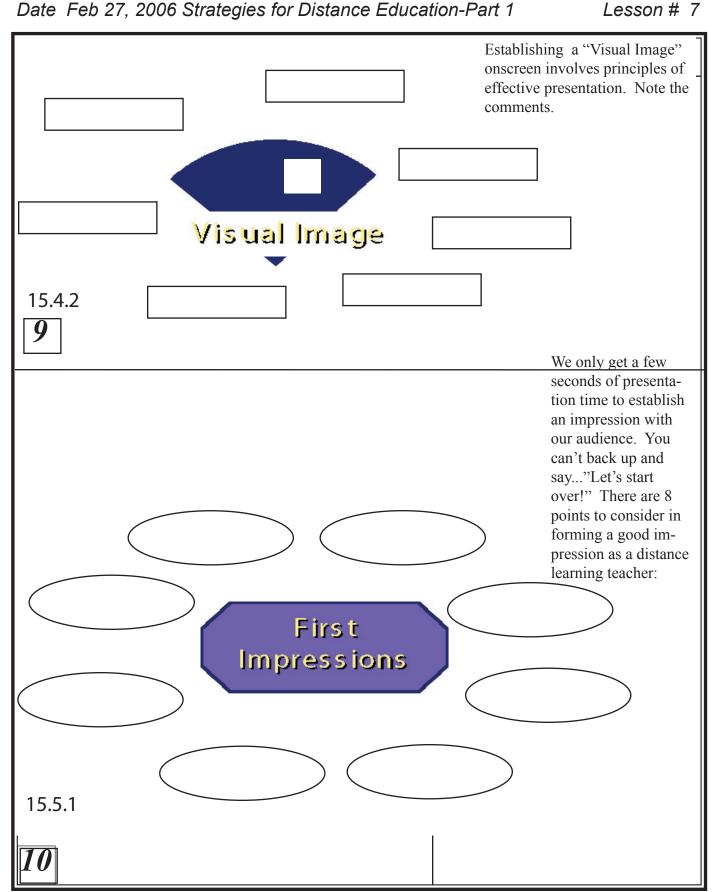
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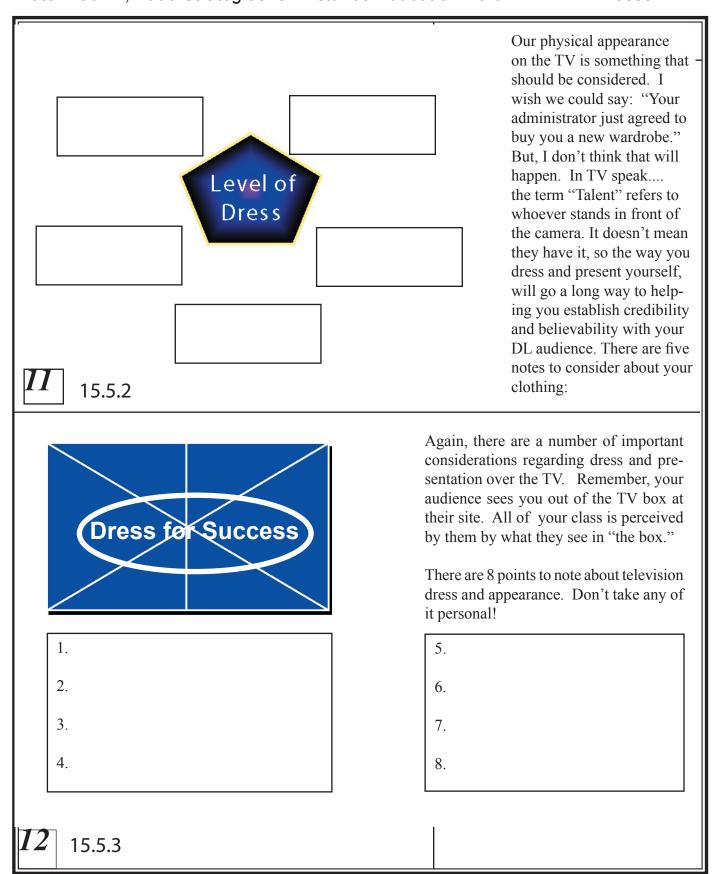
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Lesson 7—2/27/2006 "WIIFM"	This weeks lesson and the next two after will concentrate on strategies a distance education teacher can use in the classroom. You have probably heard me say: "Good teaching is good teaching!" In the DL classroom that means that the techniques that you have used in a traditional classroom with your students will most likely work well in DLperhaps with some modification.
"What's in it for Me?" Let them know what's in it for them. Tell others exactly what action you want them to take and how they will benefit. Z Roll Questions Quiz	
Assignments Postings Other?	class, printing off what you need, it will work much better. Be sure to let your EDNET facilitator know that you will have a short presentation to give over the ELMO and that you need the ELMO

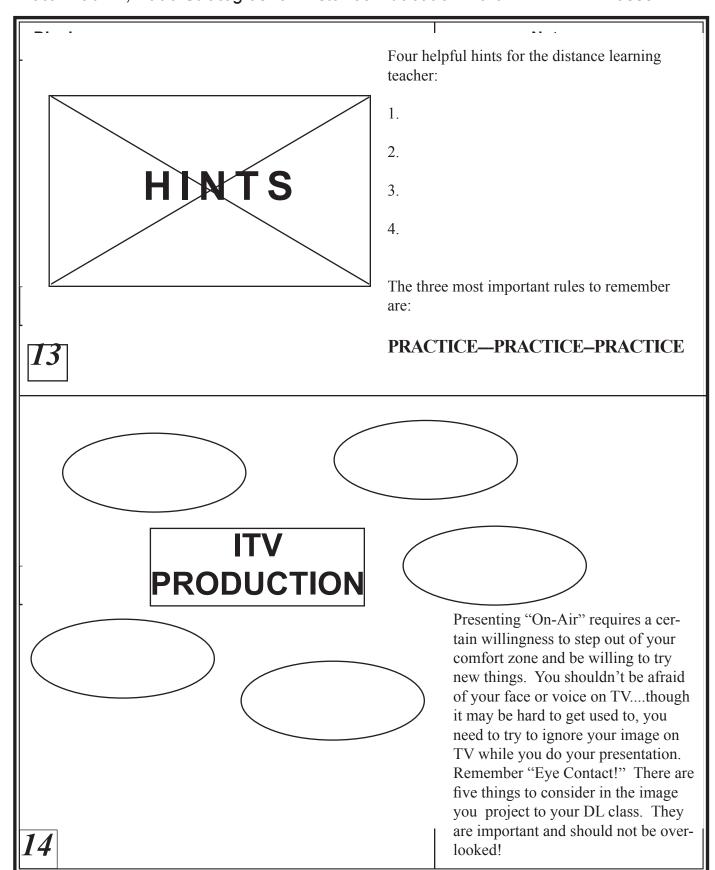


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For Tonight Guest Speaker Be sure to have ISG 7 Groups of two to do ELMO slide	DL Teachers (new one's at least) may have some initial difficulties with teaching in the DL classroom. There are 8 suggestions or "things to watch for": 1.
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Initial Difficulties	There are a number of forms of Instructional Television that could possibly be used. They are: 1.
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(Types of I.T.V.)	8.
15.3.1 6	NoteIf we do not have time, please be sure to review the Powerpoint slide show: Tips and Tricks for the DL Teacher. The following sections on the ISG can be filled in as a memory guide

Display **Notes** Videoconference vs Videotape have significant consideration on how they are instructionally used. Write down your notes about this topic. Synchronous Videoconference Specific to ITV Asynchronous Videotape Videotape 15.3.2 Creating an "On-1 screen Personality" takes some 11 doing. There are 12 points to con-10 sider that might 12 be of help to you in your quest for 9 2 your "TV Persona!" Write down the 12 next to the 3 numbers on the slide to the left. 7 6 5 15.4.1









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Let's take a break	While our Student Presenters are getting ready, you too, should get ready with your 2-3 page ELMO presentation. You may work with another person, but only one other. Each group of two of you will, hopefully have an opportunity to present a nicely prepared ELMO slide on the ELMO. You should follow good design practices (3 x 4, 6 x 6, 36 sans serif fonts, etc. The topic should be an academic subject that is a favorite of yours. You may work with a partner. If you
Nowit's your turn! Student Activity—Prepare a graphic for ELMO (each person prepare a hand drawn graphic. Give a 2-4 minute presentation on camera to the rest of class from your site—Be sure to NOT use a pen or pencil! Bring a marker and whatever paper you'd like	have the chance to prepare this short presentation (2-3 slides) before class, printing off what you need, it will work much better. Be sure to let your EDNET facilitator know that you will have a short presentation to give over the ELMO and that you need the ELMO set up and operational and the teacher camera set to see you standing
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Be sure to read the PDF article: Graphics Production to See WebCt. Lesson 7	for Elmo. 8 pages. Read before class!

Display ELMO Discussion if Time	Notes
The materials following should be reviewed. If we have time in class, we will discuss these topics. A Systems Approach is Needed	A system is an organized whole composed of parts which interrelate and interact in order to accomplish some predetermined purposes. These expectations then form the purpose of the system, provide direction for the system and determine the kinds of activities in which the system has to be energized.
What is a System? Structure Whole Orderly Parts Parts Related Related to Whole	 The criteria for a system There must be a structure or organization. The structure or organization must be conceptualized as a whole. The whole must be orderly. The whole must have parts. Parts can be shown clearly relating to each other. Parts can be shown clearly relating to the whole.
System subsystem	

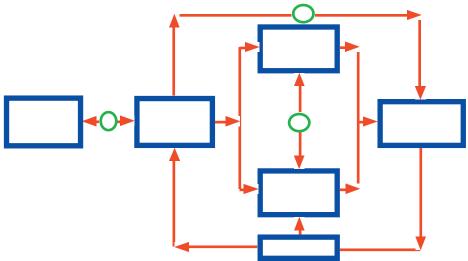
ELMO Discussion if Time

ELMO Slide

A distance learning instruction system is defined as an integrated arrangement of delivery technologies, personnel, instructional materials, synchronous and asynchronous presentations forms, and learning environments that function in such a way as to lead distance learning students to achievement of learning performance objectives.

Be sure to read the PDF article: ISAT Model for Distance Learning (4 Pages) Diagrams and Illustrations.

The ISAT Model--Instructional Systems Approach to Teleteaching



Teaching At A Distance with Merging Technologies: An Instructional Systems Approach, Thomas E. Cyrs (Center for Educational Development, New Mexico State University, 1997). Pp 57-62.

Instructional Systems Approach to Distance Learning

Students studying in the paradigm practiced today, regardless of level, are passive and acted upon by teachers during instruction. Classes take place at the same time and at the same place with the same type of instruction. Students are viewed as passive recipients of information doled out by the willing instructor. The instructor talks at the students, who are viewed as uninformed, empty vessels waiting to be filled with the knowledge and wisdom of the instructor. The job of the student is to discriminate between what is and what is not important to know for a future test. The primary aim of this recipient of knowledge is to pass the test with the highest possible score in order to obtain a grade that says nothing about how intelligent the student is or what the student can do with the newly obtained knowledge or skill.

This metaphor or paradigm of the teaching/learning process will not transfer to the new concept of distance learning in which the student is physically separated from the instructor and all communication is mediated electronically in some way. A paradigm is needed that shifts responsibility for learning to the student, who participates and is active in the total learning process. Unlike the present paradigm of teacher-centered education, the new paradigm will be student-centered.

If a student is physically separated from an instructor by any distance (in the next room or a 1,000 miles away), all communications must be mediated electronically either in synchronous and/or asynchronous time. Communications can be delivered via audio, video, computing, and/or print media. New technologies offer opportunities to create new ways to communicate and interact with students. Rather than talk at students, instructors now communicate with individuals and groups of students. The instructor become a participant in, rather than a possessor of, knowledge--a seeker of truth rather than the sole source of truth. This paradigm allows partnerships in learning to occur among individual students and instructors.

In order for distance learning to become a moving force in education, the present format must change dramatically. As it currently exists, the major function of distance learning is to distribute instructor-centered classes to more student at widely dispersed locations at the same time using the same pedagogy used for hundreds of years. As promoted today, distance learning is a candid classroom where the lecture is distributed to many locations away from the main campus simultaneously. The medium of chioce is one-eay television accompanied by two-way telephone or two-way television and two-way audio. Little pedagogical change has occured. A traditional class is transported via television, telephone, computer or print to other locations. Most of these "telecourses" resemble a radio program. Turn off the video, listen to the audio, take notes, and determine the completeness and accuracy of the notes with the video. The student can probably take as good a set of notes as when waatching the instructor's "talking head." Television is a visual medium, yet the spoken work is the major means of communication. If this is so then why even use the television? The answer resides in the myopic and limied rationale for the existence of distance learning today. For real change to take place, instructors need training not only in the operation of the technology, but also in the design of telecourses that take advantage of the interactive and visula opportunities offered by these new delivery technologies.

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In describing Distance Learning as a System...this leads to a number of questions relevant to DL and our approach to preparing and presenting. (Instructional Design Techniques)

- 1. Is there a formal structure to existing distance learning programs that has been integrated into the local institution. Is the college, high school, business, seminary, etc., geared to support DL?
- 2. Is the distance learning program conceptualized as a real part of an existing host institution or has it been added on the institution's management structure as part of an existing program such as continuing education, weekend college, extension system, media department, or some other administrative unit?
- 3. Is the distance learning program recognized as an orderly system or is it seen as a stepchild or necessary passing fad?
- 4. Are each of the components (institution, delivery, staff development and training, management, evaluation, needs assessment, design, production, support, library services, etc.) of the DL program clearly recognizable as entities or are they a function of other components of the institution?
- 5. Are the components of the distance learning program clearly related to each other and to the other components of the institution?
- 6. Is the distance learning program based on a student-centered paradigm, or does it replicate the existing teacher-centered, subject-matter-dominant paradigm?
- 7. Is the program based on learning outcomes and results?
- 8. Is student success at the center of all decision-making?
- 9. Is there a system in place for continuous feedback of data to all components of the system for revision?

10.Results Oriented Learner-Centered Student Success Learning Objectives

Feedback



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SYSTEMS APPROACH	Results Oriented Learner-Centered Student Success Learning Objectives Feedback	The class is designed for outcomes or results. It is learner -centered with the student at the center of planning and management. Emphasis is given to student success now and in the future. Clear, meaningful performance objectives are used, and there is a need for continuous feedback for evaluation and revision.
Systems Approach Design Stage Development Evaluation Revision		Design: Determine need for instruction. Analyze audience Establish goals/objectives Devlopment: Create an outline Review materials Organize content Evaluation Review goals Develop eval. strategy Formative evaluation Summative evaluation
Systems Approach (Detailed Determine Need Specify Learning Per Design and Develop Produce and Deliver Manage the Program Evaluate Revise	formance Objectives the Program	Collectand analyze data Revision Works with Evaluation Reflection by instructor Feedback from students Feedback from others



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Instructional System Why When Where To what degree How would "on-going" evaluation be of benefit to a teleteacher trying to modify his/her class? Here is a short list of several items for formative evaluation. See if you can add a few more: 1. Appropriate assignments? 2. Technology working well? 3. Enough interaction? 4. 5. 6. Summative evaluation assesses the overall effectiveness of the finished telecourse. More formal evaluation tools can be used that lend themselves to statistical analysis. Ex: Pre-		An instructional system specifies a student should learn and do at the completiona of a course and each lesson period. The means available to the student to master the learning performance objectives, the students will be taught, and the performace criteria to determine and the student has mastered the stated learning perfomance objectives satisfactorily. The effectiveness of an instructional system can be measure by determining it provides for the learner a system of learning.
Threaded Discussion Topic of the Week: Be sure to read the paper on Cultures, then post a response to one or two of the questions on the discussion board. See detail syllabus for more information EDNET Newsletter: If a Dog Were your Teacher (Something fun) http://www.uen.org/News/article.cgi?category_id=6&article_id=80		
	pyright Issues for Distance Learning Teachers." There Feb 27 through Mar 05, 2006	will be live multiple choice questions. The quiz